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Games medals to be unveiled October 15

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OLYMPICS Organizers of the Winter Olympics will pass a major milestone next week with the unveiling of the 2010 Olympic medals.

The medals will be revealed Oct. 15 at Vancouver's Athletes' Village, said Vancouver city manager Penny Ballem yesterday during an update on the project.

VANOC confirmed that both the Olympic and Paralympic medals would be unveiled at the village.

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A model walks the runway yesterday during the Chanel Prêt à Porter show as part of the Paris Womenswear Fashion Week Spring/Summer 2010 at Grand Palais in Paris.

Village needs hot sales: Robertson

Mayor says city can recoup Games investment

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Vancouver needs a hot real-estate market this spring if it hopes to recoup taxpayer money in the city-financed \$1.2-billion Olympic Athletes' Village, Mayor Gregor Robertson said yesterday.

"I think we stand a good chance to earn back most or all of what was put at risk," Robertson said. "But we will rely on a strong market coming back."

The project, which was budgeted at \$950 million, has since ballooned by \$250 million to \$1.196 billion.

The race is still on to finish on time and, according to city manager Penny Ballem, a couple of the buildings are "tight" for their Nov. 1 deadline to be handed over to VANOC. Ballem, who updated

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False Creek

- The city also released a long-awaited report by KPMG on the status of the Southeast False Creek development.
- The report, based on information to Jan. 19, shows that Millennium (the winning developer) was the lowest ranked of the three bidding developers before price was considered.
- NPA Coun. Suzanne Anton said the report cost about \$200,000 to produce.

council on the 1,100-unit development yesterday, said the city has decided to defer a number of design elements — like a triangle-shaped park next to the in-

let and a dock for non-motorized boats — until after the Games.

There were also, she added, design changes to streetscapes, parks and plazas to mitigate budget and schedule overruns.

To date, 226 units (worth about \$217 million) of 730 market condos were sold in presales.

Bob Rennie, who is marketing the units, decided to kibosh sales during this year's slumped real-estate market.

The remaining market units will be sold after May 2010.

"The strategy here is to hold those, wait until the market is very strong, the exposure is at its highest and then let them loose," Robertson said.

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No regrets on 2012, says Blair

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Former British prime minister Tony Blair says he has no regrets about putting London's name forward for the 2012 Olympics, despite the recession that has since put pressure on the event and the country itself.

Blair told delegates at an economic conference in Surrey yesterday that he disagrees with critics who say the money would have been better spent on helping people impacted by the recession.

"I just think that's a false



"I think sport is one of the best anti-crime policies, one of the best pro-health policies."

Former U.K. prime minister Tony Blair

equation in the end," Blair said. "These events do an immense amount to build the image — and also just in straight business terms — for the country."

Olympic organizers in both Vancouver and London have struggled to find costs savings in the face of the worldwide economic recession that began last fall.

He said the Games are a global event that brings na-

tions together and promotes sport.

"I think sport is one of the best anti-crime policies, one of the best pro-health policies," Blair told a standing room-only crowd of more than 400 people.

"We'll be watching (Vancouver) very carefully, learning everything we can," he said of the 2010 Games. "It will be a fantastic event, I'm quite sure." THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Project allows food in yard waste

Almost 3,000 households in Coquitlam, Delta, Langley Township and West Vancouver can now add food scraps to the yard waste they put out at the curb as part of a pilot project. The test ends March 2010 and lessons learned will be applied next fall when the project is extended across Metro Vancouver. **METRO VANCOUVER**



Outreach van boosts safety, study claims

SEX TRADE The presence of an outreach van does make the streets safer for sex trade workers, according to a University of B.C. study.

The van, which costs \$20,000 monthly to operate, returned to Vancouver streets last month after being temporarily shut down by the province.

The finding is based on interviews with a group of 100 sex trade workers, said professor Patricia Janssen.

She added women in the sex trade lack access to health services and police protection and fear random and partner violence.

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Hockey House tickets ain't cheap

\$500 a day gets you access to big screens, concerts and gourmet food

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Beer-drinking hockey lovers will pay a hefty price during the Olympics if they want to rub shoulders with some of Canada's hockey elite.

Entrance to the Molson Canadian Hockey House — a massive temporary pavilion located southeast of GM Place — will cost \$500 per person, per day.

Jordan Bitove, president of Vision Co, the company managing the project, said the \$500 price tag is a "deal."

"Based on ... a lot of the major events around the world, whether it's Super Bowl, Formula One, Ryder Cup, we're cheap," Bitove said.

The 81,000-square foot pavilion, the size of five



Stan Smyl, left, Jordan Bitove and Hockey Canada's Bob Nicholson, right, at the launch of Molson Canadian Hockey House in Vancouver yesterday.

hockey rinks, will have a public all-inclusive area for 2,000 people.

It features three 40-foot high-definition screens, 17 live concerts, comedy and even hockey karaoke.

Hockey legends will make appearances.

Tyler Stewart of the Barenaked Ladies is acting as entertainment director. Wolfgang Puck will provide the catering.

Bitove said the entire project will cost \$15 million.

The hockey house will also have private areas that serve as a home base for the International Ice

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Hockey Federation and a "safe house" for Team Canada hockey players and their families.

Bitove said the pavilion is the largest freestanding temporary structure in Canadian history. Setup will begin later this month.

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Bacon challenges solitary time

JAIL An alleged gangster implicated in the Surrey Six killings says he's having mental problems after spending six months of solitary confinement awaiting trial.

Jamie Bacon appeared in B.C. Supreme Court to make a constitutional challenge against continued isolation in a Surrey remand centre, complaining about cold food, no pillow and restrictive phone and

visiting rules.

His lawyer also told the court the 23-year-old Bacon suffers from a host of medical issues such as sleeplessness, panic attacks, dizziness and trouble focusing.

He called an expert to testify that Bacon, allegedly one of the leaders of the Red Scorpions gang, is particularly vulnerable to the hardships of isolation because he comes from a

tight-knit family.

Bacon faces charges of conspiracy to commit murder in the 2007 slayings in a Surrey highrise, as well as a charge of first-degree murder in one of the killings.

The judge hearing Bacon's application said perhaps he had reason to be anxious, being the target of a murder attempt himself two years ago.

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News in brief

FINED A North Vancouver man who crashed his boss' truck, and then lied to police about it being stolen, has been fined \$4,000 in B.C. Provincial Court. Rodney Dean Johnson, 26, was found guilty after investigators linked DNA on the airbags to him.

JUDGMENT A 350-pound man who fell while dumping trash at a Kamloops transfer station has been awarded more than \$1 million by a B.C. judge. Rod Lovely, 53, broke his legs so severely that one had to be am-

putated.

TV SERIES Vancouver actress Lora Sun is starring in a new drama series about the intertwining lives of Chinese immigrants. The OMNI production, Once Upon A Time In Toronto, which debuts Oct. 17, is billed as a rare TV co-production between Canada and China.

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The people of Bountiful — who number as many as 1,000 — belong to the United Effort Plan (UEP), an Arizona-based sect of fundamentalist Mormonism that believes men should have more than one wife. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Womens' groups set sights on Bountiful leaders' prosecution

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MEETING A coalition of women's groups, called the Bountiful Round Table, is meeting at Hycroft tomorrow night to discuss the need to prosecute the leaders of B.C.'s polygamist community.

"We'll be meeting to discuss which route we are going to go since the decision came down (not to

prosecute Winston Blackmore and James Oler)," said Gwen Smith, chair of the group.

She said their issue isn't so much with polygamy as it is with the exploitation of children and women.

Smith added that if Blackmore and Oler aren't eventually prosecuted, it will open the door to other fundamentalist religious groups to push for more freedoms that would suppress women and children.

Activists 'can't quit'

Group vows to keep targeting community

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When charges against two polygamist leaders from Bountiful were quashed by a B.C. Supreme Court judge, Audrey Vance became determined to find another avenue to break up a community she says violates women's rights.

Vance is the co-chair of Altering Destiny Through Education, a Creston-based organization that helps women escape the nearby polygamist community.

"Just because we've had a set-back, we can't quit," she said with regards to the Sept. 22 decision not to charge Winston Blackmore and James Oler with polygamy. They may still face charges at a later date.

But Vance said the right to religious freedom is trumping the rights of women and children.

"We've been making big allowances for minority groups because we want to be seen as (tolerant). But I



Winston Blackmore with six of his daughters and some of his grandchildren near Creston.

think we're bending it too far," she said.

"If Jehovah's Witnesses won't let their children have blood transfusions because of religious freedoms, the court overrules them."

That's why her group is concentrating on issues of immigration and income-tax fraud to keep the leaders in Bountiful under the microscope.

Vance said bringing underage girls to Bountiful from the U.S. to marry men is tantamount to human trafficking.

"They're being brought in as prostitutes under the guise of religion," Vance said. "The ones we had hoped would testify won't, because they're in the country illegally," she said, adding that they don't want to lose their children.

Polygamy like a 'black hole,' says former resident

SURVIVOR Living in polygamy is like living an Orwellian nightmare, says a former Bountiful resident and daughter of one of the founders of the community.

Brenda Jensen said her life was like that of the characters in Animal Farm, where the community was governed by corrupt, greedy leaders. "Polygamy is an empty black hole," said Jensen, 58. "It sucks the life out of life. I hated everything to do with it."

Jensen, who now lives in Nevada, said girls were raped and were told the abuse was a "lesson from God," while the boys were given "carte blanche."

Jensen was a teenager when her father, Harold Blackmore, moved the family away from the fundamentalist Mormon community, which he called the "holy mafia."

"The thing about having more than one wife, who cares?" she said. "As long as it's a mutual, mature decision."

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Mounties called liars

Lawyer seeks findings of wrongdoing in inquiry

The four RCMP officers involved in using a Taser on Robert Dziekanski are liars, a lawyer for the Polish government says, and Poland wants the inquiry into the incident to make findings of wrongdoing against them and several other Mounties involved in the later investigation.

Don Rosenbloom, acting on behalf of the Polish government, told the inquiry yesterday the four officers

conspired to concoct a story to justify their repeated use of the weapon, lied to investigators and continued to lie at the inquiry.

"The officers' conduct can be construed as nothing short of an intentional act to subvert the course of justice," Rosenbloom told Commissioner Thomas Braidwood during his final submissions to the inquiry.

"It is well within your mandate to rule that the

four officers were not credible and that their evidence should be discounted."

The inquiry has heard that several aspects of the officers' statements to investigators about what happened are contradicted by the infamous eyewitness video of the confrontation.

A lawyer for one of the officers told the inquiry yesterday that the events on the tape are open to interpretation. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

News in brief

FLU A leaked internal government report warns that the B.C. health system could be overwhelmed by a surge in critically ill patients at the peak of this flu season. The report predicts there could be a shortage of ventilators and staff who know how to use them.

STATION The glass-door panels at the Main Street police station in Vancouver were smashed with a brick. Police say a 41-year-old man waited outside to tell them he broke the windows because he didn't want to miss his court date.

CRABS A recreational crab har-

vester has been fined \$600 for having two undersized Dungeness crabs caught near the Tsawwassen Ferry Terminal Causeway. The fine includes \$200 for lying to a fisheries officer.

PROMOTION Hundreds of Vancouver drivers were surprised yesterday when they were offered free parking at the lot on Cambie and West Georgia streets. McDonald's bought out the entire parking lot to promote the return of its Monopoly game.

PROPERTY TAX A petition calling for a property-tax cap will

be presented by the Canadian Taxpayers Federation to the minister of community and rural development tomorrow. It asks that any increases beyond the consumer-price index be subject to voter approval.

REFORM The Mr. Big ruse, where police pose as criminals to trick suspects into confessing crimes, needs to be reformed, according to an SFU criminology grad. The practice, which is legal in Canada, but not in the U.S. or U.K., could lead to a wrongful conviction if a suspect lies to increase his cache as a criminal. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



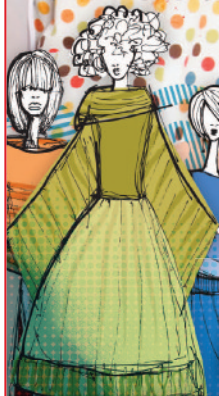
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All three of Canada's largest wine producers are working on new labels for some of their best-selling wines after complaints that consumers were being hoodwinked into thinking they were made from Canadian grapes. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Cirque boss to get hefty bill

The final tab for Guy Laliberté's visit to the International Space Station could rise to nearly \$50 million after this week's elaborate international show linking the Cirque du Soleil founder with his terrestrial counterparts (Pictured is TMA-16 spacecraft carrying Laliberté). Cirque officials confirmed their boss would get hit with another bill which will see 42 performers, 14 cities, and five continents linked to a video show hosted from the space station. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

News in brief

ECONOMY The economic downturn has forced more Canadians to turn to food banks and feeding programs, says a new report from the Salvation Army. The organization, billed as the largest non-governmental direct provider of social services in Canada, has more than 275 food banks and feeding programs across Canada. A survey of staff across the country found that 72 per cent of respondents said demand for food services has increased during the last 12 months. About 40 per cent said food donations have declined, while 23 per cent noted an increase, according to results released yesterday. Almost 24 per cent said donations had remained the same.

ESPIONAGE CSIS has recruited some Defence Department technical wizardry to sidestep legal limits on its ability to spy on Canadians travelling abroad. Details of a Federal Court ruling released yesterday

provide a glimpse of the highly advanced tools used by spies in the fight against terrorism and espionage. A groundbreaking decision by Justice Richard Mosley reveals the Canadian Security Intelligence Service obtained a warrant to monitor two suspects considered threats to Canada late last year. When it got wind the pair were leaving the country, CSIS won court approval to employ the secretive Communications Security Establishment, a wing of National Defence, to ensure the interceptions could continue. An earlier court ruling had made it clear that CSIS could not legally carry out foreign eavesdropping without approval from the country in which the spying takes place.

ALLEGATIONS The archbishop of St. John's says the police and the church may have failed a Newfoundland teen who alleged two decades ago that a priest had child pornography.

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Sex workers argue for safety

Prostitution laws create 'sinister' dilemma, lawyer tells court

Canada's prostitution laws have created a "sinister" dilemma for sex-trade workers by forcing them off the streets while forbidding them from moving indoors, a court heard yesterday.

Pressing to have the laws thrown out, a lawyer for three sex-trade workers argued that provisions outlawing communication for the purposes of prostitution, living off the avails, and keeping a bawdy house are contributing to the horrific violence women across the country often face while plying a legal trade.

"This is not about a right to sell sex — you can sell sex," lawyer Alan Young told Ontario Superior Court. "It's about a right to



Dominatrix Terri-Jean Bedford, left, carries a riding crop while arriving at Ontario Superior Court with sex workers' advocate Valerie Scott in Toronto yesterday. The Toronto dominatrix and two other sex workers launched a constitutional challenge to Canada's prostitution laws.

liberty and security."

Young stressed the constitutional challenge is not

about a moral evaluation of the sex trade. Nor does it quibble with the "clas-

sic" pimping provisions designed to prevent exploitation of women or rules aimed at protecting children.

Instead, he said, the laws enacted in 1985 were an attempt at dealing with the public nuisance created by street walkers but failed to recognize the alternative — allowing women to work more safely indoors — which was prohibited.

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N.B. hotline set up

New Brunswick has set up a hotline after a review was ordered of tests done by a radiologist whose work has come under scrutiny. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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PMO denies talks with Liberal MPs

Claims of trio seeking to cross floor shot down

The Prime Minister's Office sought yesterday to distance itself from reports coming from Immigration Minister Jason Kenney's office about possible defections of Liberal MPs to the Conservatives.

Dimitri Soudas, a PMO spokesperson, said that there was no truth to claims made to the Toronto Star by Kenney's communications director, Alykhan Velshi, about three Liberal MPs interested in crossing the floor to the Conservatives.

Soudas told the Toronto Star that Velshi's information was "bulls—" but could not explain why the communications director to the immigration minister, responsible for cultural-community outreach, would tell the Toronto Star about the potential floor-crossers if they did not exist.

Nor could Soudas explain why he was "outing" Velshi

Alykhan Velshi's background

Alykhan Velshi was the same aide who risked endangering his minister's (Jason Kenney) impartiality back in the spring when he showed up at immigration committee

hearings circulating documents about Liberal MP Ruby Dhalla and a controversy over how foreign caregivers were treated while employed by her family.

yesterday afternoon as the source of the tip to the Toronto Star.

Soudas went on to explain that in this government, only the PMO knows certain information and that Velshi wouldn't have had the kind of facts the Toronto Star was seeking. Kenney's office was involved when Wajid Khan, a former Liberal MP from Mississauga, crossed the floor to the Conservatives in 2007.

Velshi, when asked on Monday whether there was any truth to speculation about Liberal MP Ruby Dhalla (Brampton-Springdale) crossing the floor to

the Conservatives, said that there had been talks with three Liberal MPs, but Dhalla was not among them. Velshi made the remarks in the Commons foyer, with other reporters standing nearby.

According to Velshi, the three Liberal MPs had made the approach to the Conservatives, but he did not know their names.

The Prime Minister's Office, though, perhaps interested in cultivating peace with the Liberals, was quick to reassure reporters yesterday that Conservatives were not in talks with any Liberal MPs about floor-crossing. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Lawyer blasts Stelmach over protester talk

ALBERTA One of Alberta's leading criminal defence lawyers is accusing the province's top law enforcement official of linking environmental activism with terrorism.

Brian Beresh also says that recent remarks by Premier Ed Stelmach about 16 Greenpeace protesters are the worst example of political interference in the courts for more than a decade.

The activists are facing charges after a protest at an oil sands upgrader.



Ed Stelmach

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News in brief

HEARINGS When the military police complaints commission hearing resumes today federal lawyers are expected to call into effect the 38th when witnesses are asked about what they knew about the alleged torture of Afghan prisoners. The 38th refers to Section 38 of the Canada Evidence Act which can have the same effect of the U.S. Fifth Amendment's protection of a witness against self-incrimination. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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World

More than 2 million childbirth deaths yearly

More than two million babies and mothers die worldwide each year from childbirth complications, outnumbering child deaths from malaria and HIV/AIDS, according to a study released yesterday.

The study, launched at the International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics world congress in South Africa, also showed that such deaths could be easily avoided.

"The world will continue to miss the unheard cry of the 230 babies who die every hour from childbirth complications," unless there is better planning and implementation of

policies.

Some 1.02 million babies are stillborn and another 904,000 die soon after birth. By comparison, 820,000 children die from malaria and 208,000 from HIV/AIDS worldwide. About 42 per cent of the world's 536,000 maternal deaths also occur during

childbirth, according to the study. Africa and South Asia account for three-quarters of the deaths.

"Each death is a tragedy to a family — actually a double tragedy since almost all these deaths could be prevented," said Joy Lawn, who runs Save the Children's Saving Newborn Lives campaign.

The report said that many of the deaths could be avoided with improvements in basic health care, and training for local health care workers to perform emergency caesarean sections and other lifesaving techniques.

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Pakistan Barrel of monkeys



People watch a roadside monkey show in Lahore yesterday. These shows are usually seen in Pakistani rural areas and spectators offer money to owners of these animals.

News in brief

BRAZIL Brazilian police say they are hunting for a TV crime show host and former state legislator who is accused of commissioning killings to boost ratings. Agents say they haven't yet been able to find Wallace Souza. Authorities say the 51-year-old Souza orchestrated five killings to increase ratings for his Canal Livre show that featured graphic footage of crime victims.

ARREST Interpol agents have arrested one of the most wanted suspects in Rwanda's 1994 genocide, a former top intelligence official accused of sending soldiers to execute the Rwandan queen. Officers arrested former Rwandan deputy intelligence chief, Idelphonse Nizeyimana, on Monday in Kampala. Estimates range that between 500,000 to 1,100,000 of the Tutsi ethnic minority and moderates from the Hutu majority were slaughtered during the 100-day Rwandan genocide in 1994.

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Court aims to redefine cruelty videos

WASHINGTON U.S. Supreme Court justices, skeptical of a law aimed at graphic animal cruelty videos, touched yesterday on dog fights, bull fights, cock fights, bow-and-arrow hunting, even a hypothetical television channel devoted to human sacrifice.

The court weighed arguments over a 10-year-old law that bans the production and sale of the videos. A federal appeals court struck down the law and invalidat-

ed the conviction of Robert Stevens, who was sentenced to three years in prison for videos he made about pit bull fights. In the end, the justices appeared inclined to agree that the law is too broad and could, in some instances, apply to videos about hunting.

"Why not do a simpler thing?" Justice Stephen Breyer asked an administration lawyer. "Ask Congress to write a statute that actual-

ly aims at the frightful things they were trying to prohibit."

When Congress passed the law and President Bill Clinton signed it in 1999, lawmakers were especially interested in limiting Internet sales of so-called crush videos, which appeal to a certain sexual fetish by showing women crushing to death small animals with their bare feet or high-heeled shoes.

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Love handles

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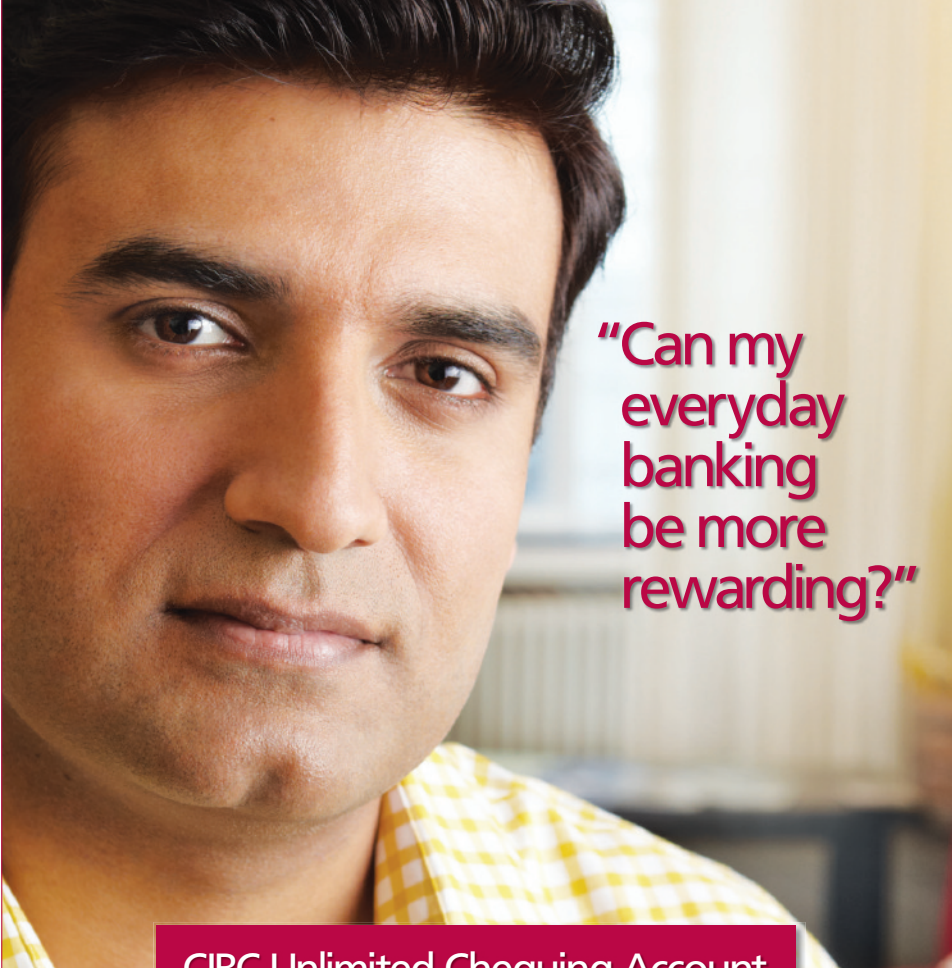
any needed dietary changes or added exercise. As your body burns and wastes more calories, you steadily but surely, lose weight.

The Chili Burn tablets are mainly based on substances from chili and green tea. Clinical studies published in the scientific paper "Obesity" show how this exact amount of chili and green tea reduces body fat. The tablets have some added peppermint oil and ginger, in order to calm digestion, reduce bloating and limit flatulence. Finally, dill is used for its properties on cellulite fat deposits. This formula is unique and effective for slimming.



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Police say a California couple with drunken-driving arrests between them let a 13-year-old boy drive them home. Officers discovered the underaged driver and say the boy claimed he stopped because he was "freaked out" and refused to drive further. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Man defends hiding from fire in hot tub

Julius Goff was the focus of ridicule when news spread of how he took refuge in his hot tub instead of fleeing an approaching California wildfire.

But two months after the massive blaze left his legs severely burned, Goff is defending his actions, saying he knew of the evacuation orders but stayed to help rescue a disabled neighbour until the flames were at his door.

"I'm not some idiot who ignores the evacuation order," Goff said Sunday as he surveyed the rubble of the canyon home where he lived. "I got a 10-year-old son. I don't want to die."

Goff, 50, says he and a housemate ran through 15- to 30-metre flames and plunged into a hot tub to escape the August fire in the Angeles National Forest. Goff said he was showing around firefighters record-

"I'm not some idiot who ignores the evacuation order ... I got a 10-year-old son. I don't want to die."

Julius Goff on his actions during an August wildfire

ing the number of people in each home during a voluntary evacuation on Aug. 26 but was not too concerned.

However, Goff said he was worried about his disabled neighbour, Trevor Pullen, and went to his home to urge him to leave after learning Pullen's caregiver could not get past a firefighter checkpoint.

Goff said he and Pullen's caregiver moved Pullen, his wheelchair and three dogs into two vehicles that drove off.

"This guy saved my life," Pullen said. Goff said around noon he walked deeper into the canyon and urged other neighbours to immediately leave as flames appeared on a ridge.

By the time he returned home, Goff said, the garage and a boat in the front yard were on fire. He found the property caretaker, Peter Loretta, and they tried to flee.

Goff said he ripped a pair of blue jeans in half and soaked them from a water heater to use as face coverings. Loretta grabbed the landlord's dog and they ran for the hot tub as flames raged in the yard.

"All I could do was scream, it was so hot," Goff said.

The pair, with the dog on Goff's chest, lay in the hot tub on their backs for about 90 minutes until the worst of the fire had passed, Goff said. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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News in brief

TENNESSEE A Nashville mother will be reunited with her newborn son after losing him twice, first to a kidnapper and then to state custody after someone claimed a family member had tried to sell him. Maria Gurrulla lost custody of son Yair and his three siblings. The baby was recovered Friday after he was abducted during a Sept. 29 knife attack on his mother in her home. Gurrulla was briefly reunited with the infant Saturday before Children's Services took him and his siblings into custody, saying it was for their safety. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Comment

We could learn from U.K. politics

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Is it just me, or are Canadian politics dull and uninspiring? I'm in London getting a close-up of the blood sport known as politics in the U.K. It makes what we do in Canada look like Nerf politics.

It's the political convention season in England. Add an upcoming national election (May 6, 2010), and the likely prospect hapless Gordon Brown and Labour will be

swept by David Cameron and his new, improved Tories, and the frenzy is fevered. The fever is frenzied? Works either way.

Last week, PM Brown tried to storm off a TV set when the host asked if he was on meds. Sadly, his dramatic exit was thwarted by a lapel mike so he had to sit down and get unhooked.

Then came treachery from former ally Rupert Murdoch, whose Sun, the biggest paper in the U.K., declared for Cameron and his Tories: "Labour's Lost It!" roared the traitorous tab, causing a union leader to tear up a copy on the convention stage.

Then you have internecine warfare as Cameron fights off a chal-



A news television crew holds up the front page of the U.K. Sun.

lenge from fellow Tory and "euroskeptic" Boris Johnson, the mayor of London, who wants a referendum on the European Union, main-

ly because Labour archfiend Tony Blair could end up as the president of the EU at the precise moment the Tories ascend to power.

And the media! Even on a bad day — complicated by wedgies — Canadian ink-stained wretches don't come close to the savage punditry displayed by the Brits on an "ordinary" day.

These guys make you gasp. Imagine a Canadian calling the cabinet "morons, sleazeballs and incompetents" as did the Telegraph's Simon Heffer. Or if Globe cartoonist Brian Gable had drawn Michael Ignatieff sporting bared breasts, as the Times did to David Cameron, under the title "Tory party conference pinup," with the caption: "Cameron enjoys the Sun but he has his knockers."

These U.K. media jackals may be crude, but they are invariably clever. And there

are so many of them. Here, at least, there are no long lines of unemployed pundits. So every point of view is expressed ... and expressed ... and expressed.

The net effect is engaging. Politics matter almost as much as the soccer scores. People believe politicians can still be accountable, and the media aren't completely cowed.

When was the last time someone asked a Canadian politician if he/she was on meds?

The net effect is also inspiring. Canadian morons, sleazeballs and incompetents, take note.

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Word on the street: Do the arrests of religious leaders have an impact on your beliefs?

Nuha Ahno

age 32, Vancouver

A: No, they are my beliefs, and what they do (getting arrested) will not change my mind.

Bastien Vannier

age 21, Vancouver

A: I guess anyone can say whatever they want, I guess it is your right, so no (it doesn't affect my views).

Tom Bator

age 25, Halifax

A: I'm an atheist so not really. I think there are some social problems within the Catholic Church that breed these sort of events.

Maria Springer

age 45, Toronto

A: No. We all believe in what we want to believe in and everyone should be able to believe in what they want.

Nahlielly Fernandez

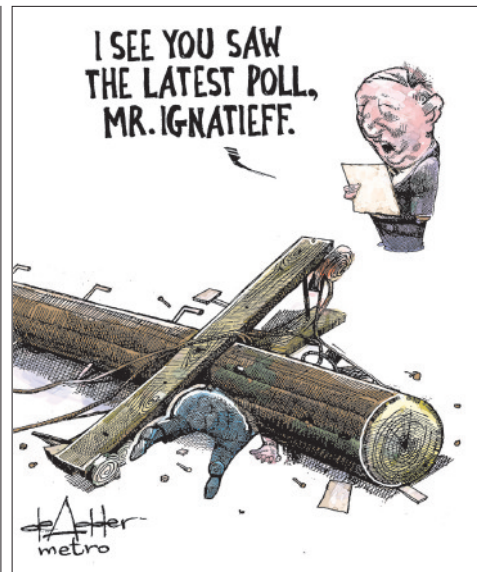
age 20, Ottawa

A: I feel sorry for the families of the victims. It's a shame these things keep coming up, but it doesn't affect me. I'm not Catholic or anything.

Kelly Noble

age 20, Vancouver

A: Oh yes, because they are supposed to represent my religion and what I believe in, and someone who does that can't do stuff with little children.



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Business in brief

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SMARTPHONE BCE Inc.'s Bell Canada and Telus Corp. say they will begin offering two models of the Apple iPhone smartphone in November, a move that will put added pressure on rival Rogers Communications.

STATSCAN The value of building permits totalled \$5 billion in August, up 7.2 per cent from July. Statistics Canada reports the bulk of the increase came in Ontario and British Columbia.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

El premiums could rise, says analysis

Canadian workers could see employment insurance premiums rise by \$632 over four years while employers may face even bigger hikes if the government is to meet economic update targets, according to economic forecaster Dale Orr of Economic Insight.

The analysis, released yesterday, estimates that Finance Minister Jim Flaherty's revenue projections on the EI account builds in a sizable employment tax hike for both workers and employers of about \$15.5 billion by the 2014-15 timetable laid out in last month's update.

When it issued the up-

15 The number in billions Finance Minister Jim Flaherty projects the government needs for employment tax hikes by 2015.

date, Ottawa said it could return to balancing the budget after the 2014-15 fiscal year without raising taxes, but did acknowledge it will likely entail increases in EI premiums to balance the account over time.

The new analysis puts a figure on just what it will take to do so.

Economist Dale Orr says premiums must rise from the current \$1.73 per \$100

of earnings — which will be frozen for another year — to \$2.33 over the next five years.

That will result in an accumulated extra payment of \$632 for every worker earning more than the bottom threshold of \$42,300.

As well, employers will need to fork over about \$884 per worker during the period.

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TSX soars as U.S. dollar weakens

ECONOMY The Toronto stock market gained more than two per cent in late morning trading yesterday as commodity prices soared in response to a weakening U.S. dollar.

The S&P/TSX composite index saw broad-based gains, but was led by the gold sector as it added 240.05 points to 11,342.67.

Both oil and gold gained substantially as the U.S. dollar continued to weaken amid fears that inflation will result from massive stimulus spending, boosting the commodity heavy TSX. The weakening greenback also caused the loonie to soar. The dollar added 1.16 cents to 94.61 cents U.S.

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Bruins give Lucic \$12.25M extension

The Boston Bruins have given Milan Lucic a \$12.25-million US, three-year contract extension. Lucic, 21, set career highs last year with 17 goals and 25 assists. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Sports



Serena back on top

Serena Williams reclaimed her world No. 1 ranking with a 6-3, 6-2 victory over Russia's Ekaterina Makarova in the second round of the China Open yesterday. Based on pre-tournament calculations, Williams moves to the top ranking by finishing better than current No. 1 Dinara Safina at the tournament. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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What's going wrong?

Lack of secondary scoring a major reason Canucks are 0-3

The Hockey News

Rory Boylen

thehockeynews.com

What a difference a week makes. With an undefeated record in nine pre-season games, the Vancouver Canucks were giving anyone who picked them as early-season Cup favourites reason to feel confident.

Now, three games into the real season and the Canucks are winless. What exactly has changed?

Firstly, exhibition games are practice and shouldn't be looked to as a barometer

for how the season will likely play out. Neither you, nor the team you're facing is using its full arsenal and as a result some players look better than they otherwise would in the NHL world.

Sergei Shirokov, the Russian gem who led the Canucks in scoring with seven points in four pre-season games, has hit a hard, cold reality in the early-going and all of a sudden doesn't look like the steal many poolies were counting on him to be. Sure, it's still very, very early and the five-foot-10 winger has plenty of time to acclimate himself and turn it around, but how much time will he be allotted by Canucks brass?

The Canucks are a hard-nosed team that scores hard-nosed goals. Ryan Kesler and Alex Burrows had breakout seasons last

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year and it wasn't because of tic-tac-toe tallies, but instead a result of tough cycling and rough net-crashing.

Heck, even the two go-to scorers on the team get their fair share of down-low goals.

Which is why Shirokov has looked small and out of place on the second even-strength unit — his peripheral style just doesn't seem to fit. In fact, midway through Monday's 5-3 loss to Columbus, Alain Vigneault moved Shirokov off

the line and the Russian barely saw the ice after that. In his place, speedy and fearless Mason Raymond joined Kesler and Samuelsson and the trio immediately applied pressure and looked much improved.

An important part of any Stanley Cup team is having a secondary scoring presence to take pressure off the big guns and score a timely goal. It eluded Vancouver in their second round loss to Chicago last year and has so far been off the radar this year.

Once they get back to their game and crash the zone with speed and ferocity, all will be fine in Canuckville once again.

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Whitecaps, Impact set for latest chapter in rivalry

SOCCER After struggling to find their game through the season, few are surprised that the Montreal Impact and Vancouver Whitecaps woke up in time to grab playoff spots and march through to a first all-Canadian USL-1 final.

The Whitecaps play at home in the opening leg of the two game, total goals final on Saturday, followed by the second leg in Montreal a week later.

"It's good for soccer in Canada," Impact defender Nevio Pizzolitto said yesterday. "It's a good rivalry, and it shows we're doing something right."

"And both clubs definitely deserve to be there."

The Whitecaps battled to the seventh and final playoff spot in the 11-team league, while Montreal managed fifth place with a late flurry of wins. Both then knocked off higher seeds in the semi to reach the final. The Whitecaps edged Portland 5-4 on aggregate and Montreal ousted Puerto Rico 4-2 in a semifinal series that ended on Sunday. Vancouver is seeking its second championship in a row and third in the last four years. It also

"It's good for soccer in Canada."

Nevio Pizzolitto, Montreal Impact

hopes to make it two titles in as many years under Icelandic coach Teitur Thorardson.

Montreal has also won the title twice, in 1994 and 2004, and is looking to make Marc Dos Santos a champion in his rookie season as head coach.

The final has two clubs that know each other well.

The Impact have five former Whitecaps — Eduardo Sebrango, Joey Gjertsen, Tony Donatelli and back-up goalkeeper Srdan Dekanovic, — while Vancouver striker Charles Gbeke and midfielder Martin Nash once played for Montreal.

Montreal midfielder David Testo, who won the Impact's 2009 MVP award, is also a former Whitecap.

"That puts a little sprinkle on top, for sure," added Pizzolitto. "It's a little bizarre, but it's good for us. We know Vancouver."

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Twins win thriller, advance to face Yankees

AL CENTRAL TIEBREAKER

Tigers 5 Twins 6 (12 ings)

BASEBALL Alexi Casilla's one-out single in the bottom of the 12th inning scored Carlos Gomez from second base and the Minnesota Twins beat Detroit 6-5 in the AL Central tiebreaker last night, completing a colossal collapse for the Tigers.

The Tigers became the first team in baseball history to blow a three-game lead with four games left. The Twins went 17-4 to pull even on the final weekend, then emerged with their fifth division ti-



The Minnesota Twins celebrate after defeating the Detroit Tigers during the American League tiebreaker last night at Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome in Minneapolis.

tle in eight years.

Baseball's only real pennant race this season needed an extra game, and extra innings to finish off a

thriller that got better with every pitch.

As Homer Hankies spiralled around the Metrodome, the Twins cel-

ebrated. They had 21 hours to get ready for Game 1 of the AL playoffs at Yankee Stadium.

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Sports in brief

CFL B.C. quarterback Buck Pierce was named the CFL's offensive player of the week yesterday after leading the Lions to a 19-16 victory over Saskatchewan. Pierce, a unanimous pick for the honour, threw for a season-high 343 yards and added 28 rushing yards in the win. Teammate Paris Jackson took the nod for top Canadian. The slotback led

the Lions with eight catches for 134 yards and a touchdown.

NHL Disgruntled Montreal forward Sergei Kostitsyn will join the AHL's Hamilton Bulldogs after all. Montreal Canadiens general manager Bob Gainey says Kostitsyn would be at the Bulldogs practice yesterday, ending a nearly week-long holdout.

NFL Conservative talk radio

host Rush Limbaugh said yesterday he is teaming up with St. Louis Blues owner Dave Checketts in a bid to buy the St. Louis Rams, owners of the NFL's longest losing streak at 14 and just 5-31 since 2007. Forbes magazine has estimated the Rams franchise has a value of \$929 million US.

SOCCER Everton striker Jose Baxter has been arrested for

possession of cannabis and counterfeit money. The 17-year-old Baxter was detained Monday in Liverpool along with two other men, aged 29 and 34. Baxter made his professional debut for Everton on the first day of last season, making him the club's youngest senior player at 16 years and 191 days.

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A Mercedes Canada loves

GLK cuts no corners when it comes to style and performance

JIM ROBINSON
for Metro Canada

While most manufacturers are shying away from offering new SUVs, Mercedes-Benz has no less than five, the newest being the "compact" GLK.

The reason compact is in quotes is because it's intermediate to my eyes although it is classified in the compact class.

But the compact SUV section is where the action is because they appeal to a lot of Canadians who aren't as keen on large trucks like our American neighbours.

And it could well be Mercedes-Benz has intentionally blurred this line to make it attractive to two sets of buyers.

Visually, it is more upright and squared off at the shoulders than a M-Class or big GL-Class and sculpted in angular lines with a touch of "Jeepness," a look that North Americans have come to identify with off-roaders.

The beefy exterior is offset by the luxurious interior or that is similar in looks and feel to the M- and GL-Class. Mercedes cut no corners on appointments and materials.

The model we get here will be called the GLK 350 4Matic with the 3.5-litre, DOHC V6 found in just about everything Mercedes builds.

In the GLK it produces 268 hp and 258 lb/ft of torque through the now, near standard 7G-Tronic seven-speed automatic/sequential transmission.



The 2010 Mercedes-Benz GLK 350 4Matic is called a compact SUV and is one of the automaker's bestselling vehicles in Canada; inside, the GLK 350 4matic is a combination of man-made or optional real leather and very wide range of standard and optional equipment.

2010 Mercedes Benz GLK 350 4Matic

Type: Compact luxury SUV
Price: from \$41,800
Engine: 3.5-litre, DOHC V8 (268 hp, 258 lb/ft.)

Highlights

- Compact SUV with the style of an off-roader
- Affordable Sport package

The GLK starts with the 3.5-litre and 4Matic all-wheel-drive at \$41,800.

After that, options are few but one Canadians love is purchasing the base GLK and adding just the 20-inch alloy wheels and aluminum roof rails that come with the Sport

Package (a steal at \$800) that look even bigger than they are if the truck is painted in black or silver.

The leather-lined (man-made or real) cabin is sumptuous with the driver and passenger getting Neck-Pro crash-responsive head rests that move forward to cup the head in an accident.

Of course there is cruise and power everything, but the Mercedes Thematic dual-zone climate control is also standard and it really works.

The GLK 350 comes with what Mercedes calls its dynamic handling control system that includes anti-lock braking, Mercedes' own version of traction control called 4ETS that

works in conjunction with the Electronic Stability Control (ESP) and electronic brake assist.

On the highway, the speed sensitive steering firms up nicely and the standard Agility Control (that automatically adapts the shock to changing road conditions) make for a ride more like big E-Class sedan.

Another standard feature is the 4Matic all-wheel-drive system. It goes well beyond simple "slip and grip" systems that really don't engage until it is sometimes too late. 4matic is permanently engaged with the result the driver doesn't have to worry about response times. With this knowl-

edge, the driver can contend with adverse road and/or weather conditions without having to switch to all-wheel-drive.

AutoPilot

Michael Goetz

Read this week's column at metronews.ca/autopilot

Road to hands-free

These days, it's a smart call to go hands-free while driving. Come Oct. 26, Ontario will be the latest Canadian province to ban handheld devices, including cellphones, in cars. The crackdown on distracted driving is catching on fast — Quebec and Nova Scotia have already done it while British Columbia is next up. To help you switch gears, Metro Drive will feature some in-car hands-free products throughout this month.

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MOTOROLA H790

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TIM WIECLAWSKI
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University and college grads today are enterprisingly the toughest labour market in generations, but smart companies also realize that it's a good time to stock up on talented young employees.

With unemployment rates for young adults hitting 16.4 per cent this past summer, Loblaw Companies Limited launched its grad@Loblaw program to recruit some of the best and brightest coming out of Canadian universities and colleges.

"We're taking a long-term approach to investing in talent and developing skills and abilities across colleagues," said Nan Oldroyd, Loblaw senior director of recruitment and diversity.

Over the next five years, Loblaw Companies Limited will be hiring 1,000 recent grads through the company's program.

Once selected for the 18-month training program, the grads immediately receive full-time salary and benefits while they prepare for careers in store management, IT, marketing, merchandising or fi-



Richard Rivera, manager, left, and Paul Sudarsan, a Toronto-based grad from Ryerson University, are seen here at a Toronto Real Canadian Superstore. Sudarsan is part of the grad@Loblaw program.

nance.

The first six months of the program is spent training in various departments inside one of the stores.

"I went through the grocery department. I did the grocery night crew, which is its own sort of animal. It's different from grocery days," said recent University of Ottawa grad Brian Partridge, who is currently in the first phase of the program at a store in Ottawa.

Despite having worked as a cashier at Loblaw for years, Partridge said he learned a lot from working in the other sections of the store.

After the first phase, graduates spend three months learning about the company's purchasing, promotions and inventory management. The final nine months are spent apprenticing in the position that they were hired to do, with the knowledge and

experience from the previous rotations to help guide them.

In Kelowna, B.C. Eiren Good, 25, currently is coming to the end of the first six months phase of the store management program.

Despite seven years experience in various retail positions, Good said being in this program has given him an opportunity to see aspects of the business that we would not have

"(The program is) the perfect starting off point to launch the practical career."

Eiren Good, grad from Kelowna, B.C.

seen working part-time while in university International Business, with a minor in Quantum Physics at the University of Lethbridge.

"This program shows us every aspect of the company that we didn't know about before," he said. "It's the perfect starting off point to launch the practical career."

Another bonus was the chance to work close to home but still be with a company that has a lot of room for career growth.

"Our colleagues are our greatest strength" said Judy McCrie, executive vice-president, human resources. "The grad@Loblaw program is just one way that we are committed to attracting and retaining the best people to help ensure our long-term success."

Interested graduates can apply online at loblaw-grad.ca by Friday.

Aboriginals and youth employment an issue

EMPLOYMENT Concerns about young people, including the unemployed and aboriginal students who are at risk of dropping out of school, are a major focus of a report released Tuesday by Community Foundations of Canada.

The Vital Signs report compiles statistics on subjects that help reflect the health and well-being of people in communities across the country.

This year, the annual report highlights the rise in youth unemployment from 10.7 per cent in January 2008 to more than 16 per cent this past summer.

"It's really been youth who have become even more vulnerable than they were in the past," said Monica Patten, president and CEO of the organization.

The report highlights the high school completion rate for aboriginal Canadians was 56.3 per cent in 2006, compared to 76.9 per cent among non-aboriginals.

"This has huge implications for their future, for their work, for their sense of self-worth, for their productivity. And that has huge implications for the whole country," said Patten.

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Dalhousie University renames law school for \$20-million gift

Last Friday, billionaire philanthropist Seymour Schulich announced a \$20-million donation to Dalhousie University's law school, which will be named in his honour. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Here's a tip from the Den: Know what you're worth

Dragons' Den

Dianne Buckner

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You have to know what you're worth. Whether you are negotiating your salary for a new job, asking for a raise — or appearing on a reality show like *Dragons' Den* — you can't put a price tag on yourself unless you've spent some time figuring out what you can justify.

That's the first challenge for the eager entrepreneurs who come into the Den to try and convince a panel of Canadian multi-millionaires to invest money into their business. They have to put a number on how much of their company they're willing to sell, and for how much, i.e. "I'm looking for \$250,000. That will buy you a 10 per cent stake in my company."

If they're out of whack



Steve Sal Debus of Vancouver tries to entice the Dragons to invest in his company, Modrobes.

with that valuation, and can't back up it up with solid sales figures, or a truly convincing demonstration of their business' potential, watch the Dragons breathe fire!

It's not much different when it comes time to negotiate a new salary. If you name a figure that is completely out of touch with what other professionals with similar experience earn, that could make an employer question your common sense — and maybe even the job offer.

On the other hand, you also have to be careful to

not sell yourself short. You could be stuck with a low salary for a long time, if you don't make a case for why you deserve the bigger bucks.

There's a fascinating example of someone fighting for what they're worth on tonight's episode of *Dragons' Den*. Steve Sal Debus of Vancouver came to entice the Dragons to invest in his company, Modrobes. If you're relatively young (and cool), you may recall this popular brand. But it disappeared in 2005, after Steve and his management team made some big mistakes.

Do homework

- If you want to negotiate a higher salary, first you need to find out how much other professionals with similar experience are earning.

They went bankrupt.

Well lo and behold, despite that past failure, Steve gets a \$200,000 offer from Jim Treiving, owner of Boston Pizza.

How great would that sound to someone who desperately needs cash to start again? Not great enough apparently. Steve turns Jim down. Does he get another, better offer? You'll need to watch to find out!

One thing I can say now though, is that Steve makes a good case as to why he's worth more.

And making a good case is what everyone has to do, when they're wanting to negotiate a fair, reasonable salary.

Dianne Buckner is the host of *Dragons' Den*. Tonight's episode airs at 8 p.m. on CBC. Follow Dianne on Twitter @DianneBuckner.

Workology in brief

H1N1 Brock University, in Ontario, reports that three isolated cases of the H1N1 virus have been confirmed among students. To help monitor the

situation, the university is asking students and employees with flu-like symptoms to record their illness on an online portal.

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Bumpy road to justice reform

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Our civil justice system is one of workplace law's greatest flaws. Corporations, with expensive lawyers and deeper pockets, are permitted to make the costs of litigation too excessive for the average employee. By introducing new rules for Jan. 1, 2010, however, the Ontario government figured that would all change. Sweeping amendments to Ontario's civil procedure were designed to make lawsuits more accessible and cost-effective. The Attorney General's press release boasts that the reforms will make it less expensive to access justice and easier to use the courts to quickly resolve disputes. But not so fast. In re-

designing the rules, the government may have simply traded one set of problems for another. Ironically, many of the new rules may actually end up costing litigants more money and taking their cases longer to resolve. Here are some of those problems:

- Small Claims Court jurisdiction. The previous cap of \$10,000 on all small claims will be raised to \$25,000. While, at first blush, this appears to favour employees, who can now pursue more substantial claims without the necessity of retaining counsel, I have various concerns.

The Small Claims court is already flooded with lawsuits and a roster of "deputy judges" that seldom have the time or training to resolve disputes without a trial. It is not unusual to wait up to a year for a trial or to appear on your court date only to have the matter rescheduled. Once the case-

load increases, by proceeding in this forum, litigants will inevitably end up waiting even longer.

- Timelines for mandatory mediation will be extended. This will simply be used as a tool for defendants to postpone dealing with employee lawsuits. Currently, mandatory mediation ses-

sions, where a majority of employment cases settle, must occur within a few months from when the claim began. Often, it is the only tool employees have to force matters to proceed swiftly. This will soon be gone and with it, employees will spend more time and money before settling their cases or arguing them before a judge.

- Claims from \$25,000 to \$100,000 will now be "simplified claims." In an employment lawsuit, employees' cases don't get better over time — they get worse.

With a premium on speedy resolutions, many employment lawyers opted to proceed with simplified claims, which provided a more streamlined procedure for trying cases, through prohibiting employers' typical strategies of delay. However, employers will now be permitted to engage in examinations for discovery, which were previously forbidden, under this rule.

Scheduling the examination and obtaining "undertakings," which are answers to questions that were avoided under oath, will now be an important element of all simplified cases, which renders them no longer simple at all.

The result is that these claims will cost employees more and take longer to resolve under this rule than before and, as most claims fall within this monetary jurisdiction, few employees will be able to avoid it.

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A trans-Atlantic cruise in 2012 will mark the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic. The Titanic Memorial Cruise will depart, as the original ship did, on April 8, from Southampton, England, and arrive at the spot in the North Atlantic where the Titanic sank on April 15. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Travel



Poe gets a proper burial

Edgar Allan Poe, the master of literary gothic horror, has been fêted all year at events marking the bicentennial of his birth. On Sunday in Baltimore, he'll get the funeral he never had: Actors will portray Poe's friends and contemporaries as well as writers and artists who cited him as an influence. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Sunrise to sunset in South Beach

Be seen at the latest glamour hot spots in this Miami enclave

EMMA E. FORREST
Metro World News



With its mélange of sandy beaches, crashing ocean, Art Deco buildings and colourful residents, South Beach is a tiny strip of fun just across from mainland Miami. It's the perfect holiday playground whether you're looking to relax in the sun, go shopping, absorb some culture or spend a week clubbing.

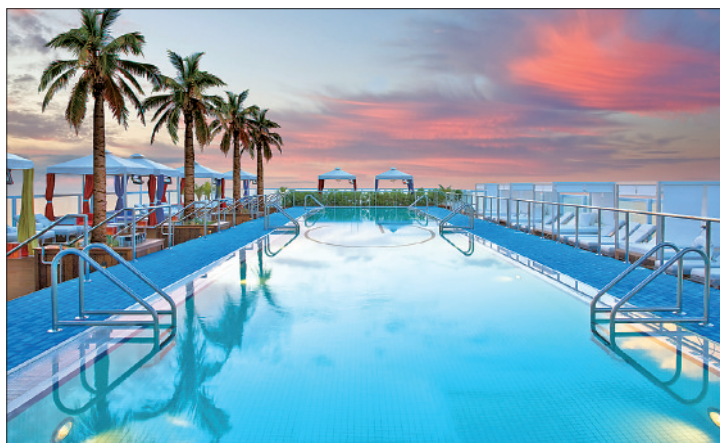
See the sunrise: On the beach in front of the Gansevoort South. If you know what's good for you you'll have treated yourself to a night in this majestic new hotel, which comes complete with an enormous sun terrace; three pools; stylish, spacious bedrooms; and even sharks in the 15-metre fish tank in the lobby. You'll have also partied until 3 a.m. at the palm-fringed rooftop pool bar, Plunge — go for a dip if you're in fantastic shape or feeling brave; see gansevoorthotelgroup.com.

Have breakfast: Check out the parade of glamorous pensioners and wannabe gangstas as you tuck into strawberry and banana pancakes on the sunny terrace of The Pelican on Ocean Drive. The Pelican is the first hotel opened by the Italian fashion brand Diesel, pelicanhotel.com.

Take a morning stroll: Walk down Ocean Drive and admire the scenery —the beautiful Art Deco hotels on one side, buff surfers and bikini babes on the beach on the other. If you want a serious guide to the colourful 1930s and 1920s



Left, taking in the view from a balcony at the Gansevoort South. Right, a view of the Gansevoort's rooftop pool; you can party until 3 a.m. at the pool bar, Plunge.



The Sunset Lounge at the Mondrian.

buildings, join one of the daily tours that start at the Art Deco District Welcome Center, mdpl.org. Taking it easy? Play a game of netball on the sand.

Have lunch: Order a huge burger at the 11th St. Diner (Washington Avenue at 11th Street), a stainless-steel eatery dating from 1946 that serves classic

diner fare including waffles and milkshakes.

Afternoon activities: Finish walking down Ocean Drive and have your photo taken on the steps of Casa Casuarina, the magnificent villa where fashion designer Gianni Versace was murdered. It's now a posh members-only club and luxury boutique hotel.

Next, explore Washington Avenue, a parallel route that features Art Deco houses and some shops along the way. Stroll north to Lincoln Road Mall at 16th Street, where you can stock up on staples from major chain stores as well as vintage clothing at Fly boutique and quirky homeware at Jonathan Adler. Reward yourself afterwards

Good to know

How to get there: Miami International is a 20-minute drive from South Beach.

When to go: The weather is great all year round, though hurricane season is June to November. For a party buzz, visit during one of many festivals, join the hip art set at

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with a cocktail at one of the many nearby cafés.

unique, outsized vending machine in the lobby.

Watch the sunset: The Mondrian, an ultra-chic new hotel conceived as a modern fairytale castle by Dutch design virtuoso Marcel Wanders, is on the right side of South Beach for watching the sun go down over the main city.

Order a cocktail and take your pick of the loungers and designer chairs on the ultra glamorous terrace. Forgotten your Rolls Royce or your Paul Smith toothbrush? Buy one at Semi-Automatic, the hotel's

Dine: If you're feeling flash, stay for dinner at the Mondrian's Asian-Latin fusion restaurant Asia De Cuba, one of the hippest, dressiest joints in town; mondrian-miami.com.

Alternatively, head back to Ocean Drive and install yourself on the terrace of a restaurant like The News Cafe for some top people-watching, as Spring Breaker types in their finest seduction outfits and show-offs in their bouncing low-rider cars cruise past.



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Operators prep for flu season

Cruise ships take particular care over communicable illnesses

Eric Sedore was working on a family cruise ship touring Europe in August 2005 when passengers started vomiting — and it wasn't a bout of seasickness. The Norwalk virus had rocked the boat.

"There were people throwing up everywhere. And they made a special team of people set up to deal with any cases," Sedore recalled.

"If you saw anybody sick or there (were) people barfing, (we were told) 'Stay away from it, don't touch it, call this number' and they'll come and clean it up with disinfectant."

Though it was likely no more than 10 people were ill, the Sapphire Princess hoisted up the "sick ship" flag to signal passengers in quarantine, and as a result, the 2,000 people aboard were refused visits to Portugal and Spain.

"They got a five-and-a-half day cruise, not seven, and it wasn't even enjoyable," Sedore said, adding that when the ship returned to shore,



In this file photo, a worker pressure cleans a balcony area on a cruise ship following a voyage on which some passengers contracted a flu-like virus.

the crew sterilized it top to bottom.

This travel season, another bug is threatening. Canadian health officials are mounting a campaign warning the public that a second wave of the pandemic H1N1 flu virus, also known as swine flu, could strike as winter draws nearer, leaving no place untouched, including cruise ships, planes and trains.

But despite the ample breeding ground offered by such confined spaces, members of the domestic travel industry say they're more than ready to set sail after weathering the first wave of the virus last spring.

"In the first wave, it was a concern because it was an outbreak and it was reported a little late and there was no vaccine at the time," said Shawn Kilner, owner of Cruise Holidays based in Nanaimo, B.C.

"Now they have knowledge, they have awareness, they have medical savvy. So definitely, there is concern, but now it's well-known and there are solutions to it, as much as there can be."

Cruise ships, known to be hit particularly hard if a virus attacks on board, already follow stringent dining and cleaning policies to prevent outbreaks, Kilner said.

Yet when H1N1 struck last spring, new measures were created by the North American regulatory body Cruise Lines International Association and quickly put in place to keep the virus at bay. Prior to boarding at any port, all passengers are now screened using a health questionnaire. If any flu-like



In this July 31 photo, the cruise ship Voyager of the Seas, carrying dozens of victims of the H1N1 virus — also known as swine flu — among its 5,000 passengers and crew, is seen anchored in the bay of Villefranche sur Mer, southeastern France.

symptoms are reported, such as fever, cough, runny nose, sore throat, or the person has been in contact with someone who has a confirmed case of H1N1, they'll undergo a second screening.

Medical personnel make case-by-case decisions and can refuse boarding to a passenger who meets conditions for having a suspected case.

If passengers fall ill during their trip, they could be isolated for five to seven days. During that time, they'll be treated by medical staff and have their comfort needs attended by staff.

Should an extreme outbreak occur and more people become sick than staff can handle, ambulances will transport travellers to local health facilities.

At major airports, like those in Vancouver and Toronto, plenty of hand sanitizer has been made available to fliers and regular cleaning has been

bumped up another notch.

Heather McCarley, manager of emergency planning at Vancouver International Airport, said all the players met earlier this month as part of a routine exercise to discuss their roles should sickness occur, like several youth from a baseball trip falling ill while in transit.

"I think we're well equipped," she said.

Airlines aren't noticing any dip in bookings at this point and don't expect the worst to pan out, said Robert Palmer, a spokesman for West Jet.

"Canadians are probably taking about the same approach that they took in the spring when the first (H1N1) wave hit," he said. "They read reputable websites, they educated themselves on the facts of this issue and they decided the risk was certainly manageable."

Airlines can refuse to let fliers aboard if they present risky symptoms, he added. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Dr. Phil's going to be a grandfather

Dr. Phil McGraw is going to be a grandfather. This will be the first grandchild for Dr. Phil and wife Robin, and the first child for their 30-year-old son Jay and his wife, Erica McGraw. **PEOPLE.COM**

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Pricey photos

Madonna has accepted a "substantial" settlement from a British newspaper that published photos of her wedding to Guy Ritchie. The singer was suing for \$8 million. **PEOPLE.COM**

When movies give thanks

RICHARD CROUSE
for Metro Canada

If aliens learned about Thanksgiving from movies and television, they'd get a skewed idea of what the day is all about. In real life we express our gratitude for life's bounty, but on screen it's a different story.

"Thanksgiving is an emotional holiday," joked Johnny Carson. "People travel thousands of miles to be with people they only see once a year and then discover once a year is way too often."

Being less than thankful for family is a common theme in entertainment. The House of Yes saw queen of quirk Parker Posey ruin Thanksgiving

when her favourite brother brings home his fiancée, and in Pieces of April a pre-Cruisized Katie Holmes not only has to deal with a broken stove but a broken family as well.

Home for the Holidays has a heart warming title that promises sweetness and light but director Jody Foster's Thanksgiving tale is anything but an ode to the holiday. It's the family reunion from hell for the Larson family, culminating in fist fights and emotional distress. The film's tone is summed up by Robert Downey Jr. who invites everyone to the dinner table with the words, "Let's eat dead bird!"

The Larsons didn't gel on Turkey Day, but as James D. Turner remarked



Steve Martin and John Candy are an odd couple trying to get home for Thanksgiving in Planes, Trains and Automobiles.

in Trading Places, "It ain't cool being no jive turkey so close to Thanksgiving," so I dug deeper for examples of film families enjoying the holiday.

No luck. The Ice Storm's back-

drop of '70s suburban ennui sets the tone for a tragic climax on Thanksgiving Day and Christina Ricci's acidic prayer. "Dear Lord," she says, "thank you for

Movie feature

this Thanksgiving holiday. And for letting us white people kill all the Indians and steal their tribal lands. And stuff ourselves like pigs, even though children in Asia are being napped."

At least Planes, Trains and Automobiles, about odd couple Steve Martin and John Candy trying to get home for Thanksgiving, is jammed packed with laughs, even if Martin isn't the most thankful man.

If Thanksgiving really was like it is in the movies the only thing we'd be giving thanks for is that it only comes around once a year.

Rainforest Books founder retires

PEOPLE Allan MacDougall, the founder and CEO of Rainforest Books in Vancouver, has retired.

The 62-year-old made the announcement yesterday in front of Rainforest staff members in Vancouver.

In a release, MacDougall says he's stepping down to spend more time with his wife and three children. His retirement is effective immediately.

The new CEO is John Sawyer, who has been with Rainforest for 16 years.

MacDougall founded Rainforest 30 years ago. The company has become well-known as the Canadian distributor and co-publisher of J.K. Rowling's smash Harry Potter book series, which has sold 11 million copies in this country. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

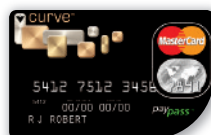


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The Backstreet Boys' Brian Littrell has been diagnosed with swine flu. The other three members — Nick Carter, Howie Dorough and AJ McLean — have seen a doctor and are not showing any symptoms. **USMAGAZINE.COM**

Giller Prize finalists announced

AWARD CBC broadcaster Linden MacIntyre and author Anne Michaels are among the finalists for this year's Scotiabank Giller Prize.

Vancouver writer Annabel Lyon, Montreal's Colin McAdam, and Toronto author Kim Echlin also made the short list, which was announced this morning at a news conference.

MacIntyre is up for his novel about religious scandal entitled, *The Bishop's*

Man. Michaels made the cut for *The Winter Vault*, her first novel since 1996's acclaimed *Fugitive Pieces*.

Worth \$50,000, the Giller is Canada's most lucrative literary award.

The Giller winner will be announced at a dinner to be held November 10 in Toronto.

Lyon has been nominated for her debut novel, *The Golden Mean*.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Polanski to remain in jail

Director has plea to be released from custody rejected

Roman Polanski lost the first round yesterday in his battle to avoid extradition to the United States for having sex in 1977 with a 13-year-old girl.

Already locked in a Zurich cell for the last dozen days, Polanski learned he will remain incarcerated for an extended period as the Swiss Justice Ministry rejected his plea to be released from custody.

Swiss authorities expressed fear he might flee the country if freed from prison. The director of such film classics as *Rosemary's Baby* and *Chinatown* has been wanted by U.S. authorities since fleeing sentencing 31 years ago.

"We continue to be of the opinion that there is a

high risk of flight," said ministry spokesman Folco Galli, explaining the decision.

Galli told The Associated Press that the threat was too great for the government to accept bail or other security measures in exchange for the release of the filmmaker.

Polanski was apprehended Sept. 26 as he arrived in Zurich to receive an award from a film festival. Authorities in Los Angeles consider him a convicted felon and a fugitive, and Switzerland says there has been an international warrant out on him since 2005.

Polanski's legal representatives

are also appealing to Switzerland's federal criminal court to free the director. Galli said the Justice Ministry has submitted a letter to the tribunal explaining why it opposes release even on bail.

Legal experts say Polanski stands a minimal chance of a speedy release, even if

his lawyers have suggested he be held under house arrest in his chalet in the luxury resort of Gstaad.

"In practice, I don't remember any case where a fugitive has been released on bail while awaiting extradition to a foreign country," said former Zurich prosecutor Peter

Cosandey, adding that Polanski's ownership of an Alpine chalet doesn't aid his case greatly.

"He could easily disappear," Cosandey said, referring to Switzerland's lax border controls.

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Roman Polanski

Letterman's wife 'horribly hurt' by his behaviour

LATE NIGHT David Letterman acknowledged in his on-air apologies to his wife and staff for having sex with co-workers that he has his work cut out for him.

As Letterman mixed wisecracks with contrition, he said his wife, Regina Lasko, had been "horribly hurt by my behaviour" and stated flat-out that those affairs "are in the past."

The CBS late-night host vowed during Monday's show to repair his relationship with his wife, whom

Relationship

• Letterman, 62, began dating his wife, Regina Lasko, in 1986, and they have a son, Harry, who was born in 2003.

All the affairs took place before Letterman's marriage, said a spokesman for Letterman's production company.

he married in March after a years-long courtship.

"Let me tell you folks, I got my work cut out for me," he said ruefully.

His apologies meant another big night in the ratings. The Nielsen Co.'s overnight measurement of

the nation's 56 biggest markets netted Letterman's *Late Show* a 4.2 rating — higher than anything rival NBC had in prime-time.

Nielsen didn't immediately have an estimate of the size of Letterman's audience. The overnight rating was slightly less than Thursday's show, when 5.8 million people watched Letterman say he had been the victim of a \$2 million blackmail threat that led him to reveal he had sex with staff members.

During the hour, Letterman apologized to his staff, which, he said, had been subjected to "being browbeaten and humiliated" by reporters since his revelations.

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Wed. Oct 7, 6:40pm, Granville 7

Cedar Boys
(Australia, 102 min.)
When a young Lebanese immigrant in Sydney, Australia, steals a stash of ecstasy and frames the real owner of the pills, a spiral of repercussions erupts. Serhat Caradee brings moral depth and a keen sense of humanity to this all-too-familiar story of marginalized youth getting in over their heads.
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Wed. Oct 7, 7:00pm, Ridge
Sun. Oct 11, 2:45pm, Granville 7
Wed. Oct 14, 6:40pm, Granville 7

Wah Do Dem (What They Do) (USA, 75 min.)
When Max is dumped by his girlfriend, he decides to go on free cruise to Jamaica anyway. Co-directors Ben Chace and Sam Fleischer's film, filled with near-constant surprise and newly minted feeling, is anchored by a wonderful performance from musician Sean Bones.
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Wed. Oct 7, 9:00pm, Granville 7
Sat. Oct 10, 12:20pm, Granville 7

Ashes of American Flags: Wilco Live (USA, 87 min.)
A concert movie and a tale about coming through slaughter and surviving, Brendan Canty and Christoph Green's gorgeously shot documentary about the band Wilco does a rare thing—it captures all those musical moments you wished you'd seen in earlier concert films. Perhaps because director Canty was the drummer in Fugazi...
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Torrens examines TV

New show looks at the ever-evolving world of television

KRISTEN LIPSCOMBE
For Metro Canada

Jonathan Torrens is feeling "squishy" these days. But the 37-year-old Canadian television personality isn't referring to his waistline.

He's talking about something else that changes with age — the warm and fuzzy nostalgia he's grown for times and TV shows gone by.

That's why Torrens has returned from Los Angeles to live and work full-time in his home province of Nova Scotia, where he can pour his creative juices into projects he's passionate about and even work with family.

He and sister Jackie Torrens are co-writers for his latest venture, TV with TV's Jonathan Torrens, a weekly half-hour examination of the ever-evolving world of television that is produced in Halifax by Arcadia Entertainment and hits airwaves across the country this Friday.



Canadian television personality Jonathan Torrens will be hosting a new show called TV with TV's Jonathan Torrens, starting Friday.

"Everything nowadays is so cocked-eyebrow, smarmy, too-cool-for-the-room kind of stuff," Torrens said of television today. "To do a show that is... heartfelt about the history of TV (shows)... it doesn't make sense to cock your eyebrow and make fun of them."

Instead, Torrens takes an honest look at the shows we used to know and have

come to know, with each of 13 episodes in his first season tackling a different genre, from reality television to paranormal and crime shows.

"I guess my question is, 'Was TV actually better when I was a kid, or am I just nostalgic for a simpler time in my life?'"

The truth about TV, he said, is "probably a combo platter," but Torrens does-

Tune into Torrens

• Tune into TV with TV's Jonathan Torrens every Friday night on TVTropolis. The show repeats Saturdays at midnight.

n't "think that teenagers watching The Hills are moved in the same way that I was (watching) Family Ties."

The Charlottetown-born, Halifax-raised Torrens, himself a nostalgic figure for those who grew up watching Street Cents and Jonovision, wears "more hats" for his latest project, which includes his first kick at the can as director.

And while viewers can expect amusing skits and wit from TV with TV's JT, he warns not to expect all laughs, something he garnered easily as rapper wannabe J-Roc on the Trailerpark Boys.

"It's not a comedy show, it's a show about TV," he said.

"All I have to teach you is one word—
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In brief

AWARD Kentucky is honouring native son George Clooney with an award from the governor. Clooney's parents, Nick and Nina Clooney, were at the Kentucky state capitol on Tuesday to receive the award on their son's behalf. The actor won the "national award" category in the 2009 Kentucky Governor's Awards in the Arts.

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TV SHOW CBS has ordered another 13 episodes of CTV's slick Canadian cop show Flashpoint. The Toronto-based series stars Hugh Dillon, Amy Jo Johnson and Enrico Colantoni as members of an elite tactical police unit. The show debuted on both networks in 2008 to solid ratings, and in June, CTV ordered another 13 episodes without its U.S. partner. The series is up for a record-breaking 19 Gemini awards this year.

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521	560	46	TLG	Toddler's & Tiaras (N) (CC)	King-Crown	King-Crown	I Didn't Know	I Didn't Know	Toddler's & Tiaras (CC)			
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Law & Order: Special Victims Unit
When a young woman (guest star Deborah Ann Woll, "True Blood") goes missing, her boyfriend (guest star Bobby Campo) points Detectives Benson and Stabler (Mariska Hargitay, Christopher Meloni) in the direction of a neighbor and convicted bank robber, Callum Donovan (guest star Stephen Rea). Stabler winds up in solitary confinement in the new episode "Solitary." Richard Belzer and Dann Florek also star. 9 PM on NBC



CSI: NY
Mac (Gary Sinise) and the team follow the trail of evidence left by a killer (Skeet Ulrich, in a recurring guest role) after two bodies are found, one at the north end of the city and the other at the south. Melina Kanakaredes, Carmine Giovinazzo, Hill Harper, Eddie Cahill and Anna Belknap also star in the new episode "LAT 40 Degrees 47 Minutes N/Long 73 Degrees 58 Minutes W." 10 PM on CBS CTV



Penelope Cruz and her boyfriend, fellow Spanish actor Javier Bardem, are engaged, people.com reports. Cruz's rep had no comment and Bardem's rep said, "I really don't know, but would not be able to say anything even if I did." **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Wedding bells in Spanish beauty's future?

Celebrity Buzz

Letterman's Hollywood love-in

FRIENDS IN HIGH PLACES Now David Letterman knows who his friends are — and there are plenty of them, people.com reports.

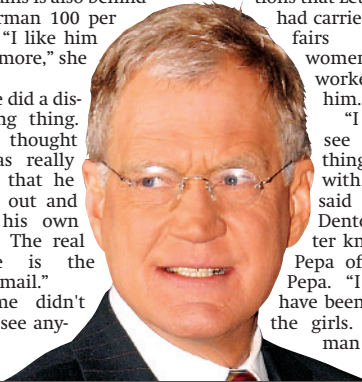
At the New York screening of the HBO documentary *Good Hair*, its star and co-director Chris Rock had nothing but the best to say about Letterman, blackmail scandal or no.

"He's the greatest host in the world," said Rock, 44, at The Cinema Society event sponsored by Target. "I would never make a disparaging comment about David Letterman."

Talk-show host Wendy Williams is also behind Letterman 100 per cent. "I like him even more," she said.

"He did a disgusting thing. But I thought it was really great that he came out and told his own story. The real crime is the blackmail."

Some didn't even see anything



wrong with revelations that Letterman had carried on affairs with women who worked for him.

"I don't see anything wrong with it," said Sandra Denton, better known as Pepa of Salt-n-Pepa. "I might have been one of the girls. He's a man ... and

he's kind of cute!"

Susie Essman, who plays Larry David's foil and best friend's tough-as-nails wife on *Curb Your Enthusiasm*, admitted she hadn't thought Letterman was a saint before, but she also said people should treat the matter like adults.

"I wasn't like 'Oh, not Dave. It couldn't be!'" she said.

"He had a relationship with somebody. What's the big deal? He wasn't married. He wasn't cheating on his wife."

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Security called off at Jackson mausoleum

RIP Just weeks after his burial, the round-the-clock security at Michael Jackson's mausoleum appears to have been scaled back, according to TMZ.

Sources say the private security guards hired to monitor the site at Forest Lawn Memorial Park appear to have left, while Forest Lawn officials insist Jackson's mausoleum is still under 24-hour surveillance.

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Celebrity tweets

Tila Tequila has a very specific activity in mind, and Ricky Martin has a pretty full day.

* @OfficialTila I need a tongue massage very badly right now. That would allow me to rest easy and be free from dark thoughts. TONGUE MASSAGE! GIVE IT 2 ME!

* @ricky_martin pool, lots of sun block, dirty diapers, nap, reading this sad article on children of war, & thinking on the fact that i hv 2 stop eating red meat



Now Elton can have kid for money ... oh, and a place to live, dad says

THAT'S NICE Elton John can help a Ukrainian child if he financially supports the boy's father, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Ex-drug addict Sergey, 31 — who is HIV positive and served eight years in jail for murder — will agree to the singer becoming guardian of his son if he also helps him start a new life.

"I'm not against the idea of Elton becoming a guardian. I would be willing to meet him and talk

about it," he said. "I don't mind my boy going to Britain to be with Elton — as long as I can go too, so I can take care of him."

Sergey's comments come a day after 15-month-old

Lev's mother, Marina — an HIV positive alcoholic who lives apart from Sergey — said she would never give her son to

Elton, 62, for money.

Lev and his brother Artyom, three, were taken to an orphanage in the town of Makeyevka after their parents were deemed unfit to look after them.

Shoemaker Sergey believes his family could be reunited.

He added to Britain's *The Sun* newspaper: "I know Elton is a rich man. Maybe he could help Marina and me and the boys get an apartment so we could be a family again."

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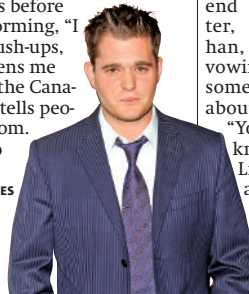


Bubl  pumps up before shows

LADIES LOVE IT Michael Bubl  may be better known for his pipes than his pecs, but both get a workout when the Grammy winner gets set to sing.

To clear out his sinuses before performing, "I do push-ups, it opens me up," the Canadian tells people.com.

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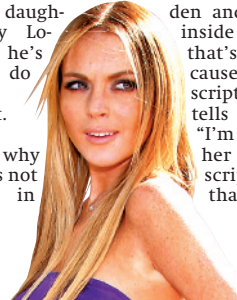
Lohan's daddy afraid of drugs

FATHERLY CONCERN Michael Lohan is afraid prescription drugs will be the end of his daughter, Lindsay Lohan, and he's vowing to do something about it.

"You know why Lindsay's not acting in feature films right

now? Because she can't," he said. Because the girl with all the talent is hidden and buried deep inside this fungus that's grown because of the prescription drugs," he tells Radar Online. "I'm going to get her off the prescription drugs that she's on."

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Brooke Shields survives plane 'crash'

OOPS Brooke Shields and Jim Belushi survived a minor plane crash at the famous Hearst Castle a few days ago, TMZ reports.

The San Luis Obispo Sheriff's Department tells TMZ Shields and Belushi were being flown to an event at the castle.

The Cessna prop plane landed safely, but the pilot forgot to set the parking brake after the plane came to a stop.

He was in the back helping the passengers when the plane rolled into a 2010 Buick SUV.

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Violet-eyed icon needs heart help

DAME ELIZABETH Elizabeth Taylor says she's headed to the hospital for a heart procedure.

The 77-year-old actress tells her followers on Twitter that she is to undergo a "very new" procedure to improve heart function that "involves repairing my leaky

valve using a clip device" rather than open-heart surgery.

"Any prayers you happen to have lying around I would deeply appreciate," Taylor wrote yesterday, adding that she plans to inform her 157,389 Twitter followers when the procedure is complete.

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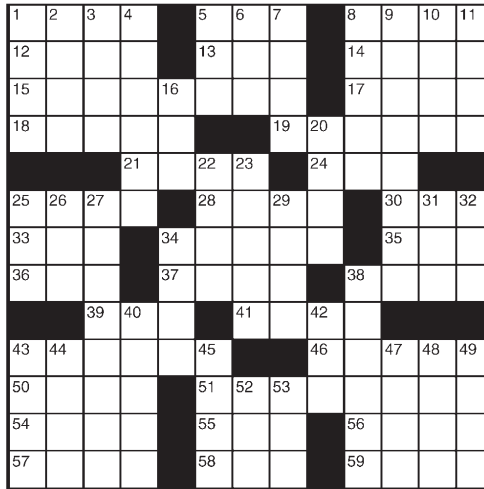
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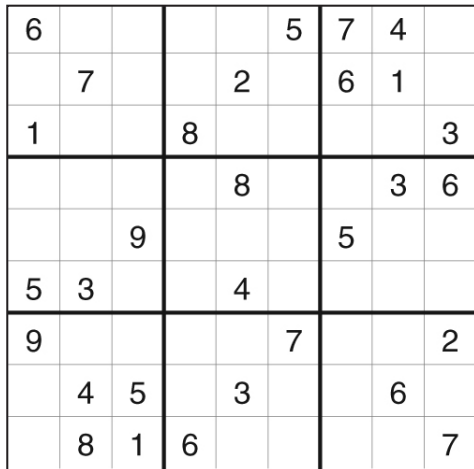
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Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone — one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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Metro Recipe of the Day



Crab-Topped Fish Fillets

INGREDIENTS:

- 4 sole, orange roughy or cod fillets
- 1 can (6 oz/170 g) crabmeat, drained and flaked or 1 cup (250 ml) imitation crabmeat, chopped
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) mayonnaise
- 1 tsp (5 ml) lemon juice
- Paprika
- 1/3 cup (75 ml) slivered almonds, toasted

METHOD:

1. Place fillets in greased 13-in. x 9-in. x 2-in. (33 cm x 23 cm x 5 cm) baking dish. Bake, uncovered, at 350 F (180 C) 18-22 minutes or until fish

flakes easily with fork.

2. Meanwhile, in bowl, combine crab, Parmesan cheese, mayonnaise and lemon juice.

3. Drain cooking juices from baking dish; spoon crab mixture over fillets. Broil 5 in. (13 cm) from heat for 5 minutes or until topping is lightly browned. Sprinkle with paprika and almonds.

SERVES 4

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ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20
A relationship that has suffered some neglect will be on your mind today. It can still be successful but only if you are prepared to work at it.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23
What do you want out of life? Why are you not getting it? Most likely it's because you are spending too much time on matters of lesser importance.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21
What you say and do over the next 24 hours will determine the level of success you enjoy over the next few weeks.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22
Do partners and loved ones feel as good about themselves as you feel about yourself? Point out all the wonderful things they possess.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21
Your ambitions may seem impractical to some but what do they know and what do you care? Get ahead and stay ahead.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21
Keep in mind at all times that the things you focus on today are the things you will most likely be doing tomorrow, so don't limit your horizons.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22
You are worrying for no good reason about how much something is going to cost. If it is what you truly desire then don't worry about the financial side.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20
Finances are under good stars at the moment and the advice you get from a trusted friend could make you some big bucks before the end of the year.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23
The message of the stars for you today is that you need to learn how to appreciate what you already possess.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18
Do you fantasize about running away and starting again from scratch? Take charge of your life and make it so you don't need to run away. Do it today.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22
Your daily routine is making too many demands on your time and your energy and you need to find ways to break this negative cycle.

PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20
You're in one of your conspiracy moods and will go all out to discover what "the powers that be" are trying to keep from you.

This day in history

- OCT. 7, 1763: George III of Great Britain issues British Royal Proclamation of 1763, closing aboriginal lands in North America north and west of Alleghenies to white settlements.
- OCT. 7, 1840: Willem II becomes King of the Netherlands.
- OCT. 7, 1944: World War II: Uprising at Birkenau concentration camp, Jews burn down the crematoria.
- OCT. 7, 1982: Cats opens on Broadway and runs for nearly 18 years before closing on September 10, 2000.
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